Workers' Compensation Oversight Panel Fee Schedule Subcommittee Meeting April 3, 2017

MINUTES

Location: Department of Labor Fox Valley Annex

Called to Order: 4:02 p.m.

Members in Attendance: Barry Bakst, Douglas Briggs, Glenn Brown, Claire, DeMatteis, Lee Dotson, Anthony Frabizzio, Trinidad Navarro, Joseph Rhoades, Bruce Rudin, Terry Smith, Wayne Smith. **Administration**: Stephanie Parker, Susan Justison (DOL), Oliver Cleary (DOJ) Alan Schwartz; OptumInsight (via telephone).

Record of Votes Taken:

- **1.** Motion to approve minutes from the 12/19/2016 Fee Schedule Subcommittee meeting. The Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
- 2. Motion to make a recommendation to the Workers' Compensation Oversight Panel to make a request to the General Assembly to give the Panel the authority to correct inequities in the Fee Schedule in a non-revenue neutral manner within a band of 3% or less. The Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Actions Agreed Upon:

- 1. Carla Gee to update formulas for 90 codes in HICPICs section retroactively that were inadvertently missed when the formula was updated on January 31, 2017. Considered a housekeeping measure.
- 2. Stephanie Parker and Carla to discuss when the updates will post to the WC website.
- **3.** Optum and Stephanie Parker to discuss cleaning up the updated Provider certification process.
- **4.** Stephanie Parker to re-send the electronic billing template from IAIABC to panel members.
- **5.** Carla to provide history of reimbursements for billing and fee schedule for prosthetics from 2007 and frequency from the past year.
- **6.** Joe Rhoades to reach out to Brian Short, Chairman of the Economic Development, Banking, Insurance Committee and Tourism Committee to see if he would sponsor the recommended changes to the Fee Schedule.

Public Comment:

In Attendance: John Pedrick (DCRB), Michael Rayer (Prosthetic Innovations), from Independence Prosthetics-Orthotics: John Horne, J.T. Scott, Jenn Demby, Rachael Klevis, Carly Cagle, Sarah Brase-Davis, Rachel Beeson, Steve Fine, Jocelyn Wong, Matt Eichler

 Mike Rayer (Prosthetic Innovations) pointed out that until last year reimbursement rates were appropriate. Now the DE WC Fee Schedule reimburses roughly half of the Medicare Fee Schedule for L5301 base code for below knee prosthesis. John Horn (Independence Prosthetics-Orthotics) was unable to confirm reimbursement rates for orthotics are affected the same way.

Adjourned: 6:03 p.m.

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